



PATENT APPLICATION NO. 09/996,826  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

For: ABSORBENT ARTICLE COMPRISING  
POLYMER WITH LOW GEL INTEGRITY  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.113**

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed April 19, 2004 (the "Office Action"), Applicant offers the following amendments and remarks. By this amendment, claims 1, 16, 17, 27, 28, 42, 52, 62, 71 and 82 have been amended. A one-month extension of time is filed herewith along with the appropriate fee. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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